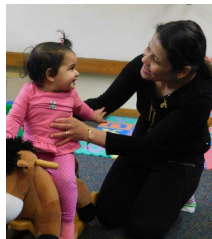




Families who talk together, learn together.

Did you know . . .

- Babies listen to and watch everything you do.
- In the first 3 years, a baby's brain grows to 80% of adult size.
- Babies' brains develop from the **loving attention** and **language** of the people around them.



What you can do . . .

- Talk* about what you and your baby are doing, seeing, feeling, touching, and smelling while it's happening.
- Talk about, name, and respect your baby's feelings.
- Respond to your baby's gestures, looks, sounds, and first words. Your baby and you can have a conversation!
- Talk with your baby in your home language.



*For families with hearing impairments, sign language is talk.

For more information about the **Family Talk** campaign, please visit www.somerville.k12.ma.us/families or call 617-629-5476 .